## School Bus Stop Evaluation Criteria - Sample

Evaluator Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Bus Route: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

| Stop Description                    |                                     |
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| AM Stop                             | PM Stop                             |
| Right Side Loading (non-crossing)   | Right Side Loading (non-crossing)   |
| Left Side Loading (crossing)        | Left Side Loading (crossing)        |
| Right Side Unloading (non-crossing) | Right Side Unloading (non-crossing) |
| Left Side Unloading (crossing)      | Left Side Unloading (crossing)      |

| School Bus Stop Evaluation Criteria  |  | No |
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| 1. Is the stop located at least 100' prior to a right-turn lane?   |  |    |
| 2. Are there any obstacles (dumpsters, parked vehicles, overhangs, landscaping, etc.), narrow roadways, or other hazards present that would put the school bus at risk?                            |  |    |
| 3. Is the stop located at least 300' from railroad tracks?   |  |    |
| 4. Is the stop visible to motorists from a minimum distance of 300'? *This may vary based on posted speed limit/observed traffic speed, and types of vehicles that travel that road.               |  |    |
| 5. If the stop is located near a body of water, is there a physical barrier between the stop and the water, i.e. a guardrail or fence?   |  |    |
| 6. Is some type of road construction or other construction taking place in an area that poses a danger to students at the stop?  |  |    |
| 7. Is the stop located near an access/egress driveway of a commercial business or apartment complex which would cause students to walk across traffic moving at speeds greater than 5 mph?         |  |    |
| 8. Is the stop free of obstructions that lessen student, motorist, and school bus driver visibility including shrubbery, utility poles, walls, fences, trees, parked cars, and other obstructions? |  |    |
| 9. Is the next closest stop on that same route at least (the minimum distance per local policy) away? *Except in special circumstances such as overcrowded stops or IEP requirements.              |  |    |

| 10. Is there sufficient room at the stop away from the roadway for students to safely wait for the school bus?                                 |  |
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| 11. Does the physical space that the stop occupies provide sufficient room for the number of students using the stop?                          |  |
| 12. Is there sufficient room at the stop for students to de-board the bus then walk at least 10' away from the bus before it departs the stop? |  |
| 13. In the absence of a sidewalk is there a safe path that provides access/egress to/from the stop?  |  |
| 14. If the bus stop location requires that the bus reverse direction, is there sufficient space to allow this task to be accomplished?         |  |

## Explanation

Explain exceptions/additions to the criteria below. Identify which criteria you are explaining. Use reverse side to sketch stop if necessary.

## **Supervisor's Recommendation**

- □ Stop is safe as is.
- □ Stop should be moved to:
- **Given Stop should be combined with another nearby stop at the following location:**

□ The following specific action is required to make the stop safe:

**Evaluator Signature** 

Date

Supervisor Signature

Date